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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A window switching apparatus comprising:

an input unit;

a display unit;

a title list display processing unit for displaying titles of windows currently set on said display unit, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display unit;

an activation processing unit for making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among said titles included in said title list active;

said title list display processing unit comprising:

a select-and-display processing unit for selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a change-and-display processing unit for changing the titles displayed as said title list and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through said input unit,

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wherein said change-and-display processing unit scrolls through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed,

wherein said activation processing unit makes a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among titles included in said title list active each predetermined time while titles displayed as said title list are scrolled ~~after a predetermined time has elapsed~~, wherein said predetermined time is selected by a user of the apparatus.

Claims 2-3 (Canceled)

Claim 4 (Original): The window switching apparatus according claim 1, wherein said input unit comprises a mouse; and

said title list display processing unit displays said title list in the neighborhood of a mouse cursor moving in association with movement of said mouse.

Claim 5 (Canceled)

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Claim 7 (Previously Presented): The window switching apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said title list display processing unit displays a drum-like title list having a size according to the current number of windows as said title list on said display unit.

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Claim 8 (Canceled)

Claim 9 (Cancel)

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The window switching apparatus according to claim 4, wherein said title list display processing unit displays a drum-like title list having a size according to the current number of windows as said title list on said display unit.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A computer readable record medium containing a window switching program for making a computer execute a process comprising a title list displaying process of displaying titles of windows currently set on a display unit of said computer, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display unit, and an activating process of making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among titles included in said title list active;

said title list displaying process comprising:

a selecting-and-displaying process step of selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a changing-and-displaying process step of changing the titles displayed as said title list

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and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through an input unit;

wherein, at said changing-and-displaying process step, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of scrolling through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed, and

wherein, in said activating process, said window switching program makes said computer execute an activating process of making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among titles included in said title list active each predetermined time while titles displayed as said title list are scrolled ~~after a predetermined time has elapsed~~, wherein said predetermined time is selected by a user of the apparatus.

Claims 12-13 (Canceled)

Claim 14 (Original): The computer readable record medium containing a window switching program according to claim 11, wherein said input unit comprises a mouse; and

in said title list displaying process, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of displaying said title list in the neighborhood of a mouse cursor moving in association with movement of said mouse.

Claim 15 (Canceled)

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Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The computer readable record medium containing a window switching program according to claim 11, wherein, in said title list displaying process, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of displaying a drum-like title list having a size according to the current number of windows as said title list on a display unit.

Claim 18 (Canceled)

Claim 19 (Cancel)

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): The computer readable record medium containing a window switching program according to claim 14, wherein, in said title list displaying process, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of displaying a drum-like title list having a size according to the current number of windows as said title list on a display unit.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): A window switching apparatus comprising:
an input unit;
a display unit;
a title list display processing unit for displaying titles of windows currently set on said

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display unit, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display unit;

an activation processing unit for making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among said titles included in said title list active;

said title list display processing unit comprising:

a select-and-display processing unit for selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a change-and-display processing unit for changing the titles displayed as said title list and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through said input unit, wherein said change-and-display processing unit scrolls through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed,

wherein, when a scroll speed is not less than a predetermined speed, said activation processing unit does not make the window active and when [[a]] the scroll speed is smaller than the predetermined speed, said activation processing unit makes the window active.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A computer readable record medium containing a window switching program for making a computer execute a process comprising a title list displaying process of displaying titles of windows currently set on a display unit of said computer, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display

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unit, and an activating process of making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among titles included in said title list active;

said title list displaying process comprising:

a selecting-and-displaying process step of selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a changing-and-displaying process step of changing the titles displayed as said title list and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through an input unit;

wherein, at said changing-and-displaying process step, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of scrolling through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed; and

wherein, when a scroll speed is not less than a predetermined speed, said window switching program does not make said computer execute said activating process and when [(a)] the scroll speed is smaller than the predetermined speed, said window switching program makes said computer execute said activating process.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): A window switching apparatus comprising:

an input unit;

a display unit;

a title list display processing unit for displaying titles of windows currently set on said

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display unit, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display unit;

an activation processing unit for making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among said titles included in said title list active;

said title list display processing unit comprising:

a select-and-display processing unit for selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a change-and-display processing unit for changing the titles displayed as said title list and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through said input unit, wherein said change-and-display processing unit scrolls through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed;

wherein said activation processing unit does not make the window active during scrolling and makes the window active after said change-and-display processing unit stops scrolling through the titles.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): A computer readable record medium containing a window switching program for making a computer execute a process comprising a title list displaying process of displaying titles of windows currently set on a display unit of said computer, as a title list in a region other than a region where a taskbar is displayed on said display

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unit, and an activating process of making a window corresponding to a title emphatically displayed among titles included in said title list active;

said title list displaying process comprising:

a selecting-and-displaying process step of selecting titles of a predetermined number of windows and displaying said selected titles in title display areas of a predetermined size constituting said title list when the current number of windows is larger than the predetermined number; and

a changing-and-displaying process step of changing the titles displayed as said title list and displaying said titles when a title display change command is inputted through an input unit;

wherein, at said changing-and-displaying process step, said window switching program makes said computer execute a process of scrolling through titles displayed as said title list to change said titles displayed; and

wherein said window switching program does not make the window active during scrolling and makes said computer execute said activating process after said process of scrolling through the titles is stopped.

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